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God's Judgments STILL THREATNED Against [illegible]EE, O ENGLAND,

For the great Abominations that have been, and are committed in Thee; and Thy Sad Estate Lamented.

London's Dissolution a Figure of the downfall of *BABYLON*:

With a Call unto all People to come out of *Babylon* which stands in Confusion, and to Repent, and seek the Lord while he may be found.

Also a Manifestation of Love to the Seed of God, and a Warning to the Inhabitants of the Earth, of the Great and Notable, Terrible and Dreadfull Day of the Lord near at hand.

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The Day cometh that shall burn as an Oven, and all the Proud, yea, and all that do wickedly shall be as Stubble; and the Day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of Hosts, and shall leave them neither root nor branch: But unto you that fear my Name shall the Son of Righteousness arise with healing under his Wings, Mal. 4.

The Name of the Lord is a strong Tower the Righteous flee unto it, and are safe.

And it shall be in the last days, that the Mountain of the House of the Lord shall be exalted above the Hills, and all Nations shall flow unto it, Isaiah 2. 2.

God's Iudgments still Threatned against thee O England *for the great Abominations that have been and are committed in thee.*

O *England, England*, what Lamentation may be taken up for thee, for the great calamity that is coming upon thee, and which is already begun in thee, which thou canst not escape, unless a speedy repentance be found in thee; oh that thou hadst not slighted the day of thy Visitation when the Lord sent his servants amongst you to forwarn you of the evil that would come upon you; yea, many Warnings have you had in years and dayes past by the faithfull Servants and Prophets of the Lord, but ye would not hearken unto them, nor believe the Truth, though they declared it unto you from the mouth of the Lord, who sent them amongst you, but ye did harden your hearts against him, and evilly entreated them, and would have none of the Counsel of the Lord; but you have believed your Priests, the false Prophets, for whose sakes God hath brought his Plagues upon this Nation; for they have been the chief instigaters against the People of the Lord, and hath stirred up the Rulers to persecute them.

Oh you Blood-thirsty Priests of *England*, who have persecuted the people of the Lord, because they could not put into your mouthes to satisfie your greedy desires, you have persecuted and imprison many of them until death, for which cause Gods controversie is great with you, and the Viols of his Wrath and Indignation is ready to be poured out upon you, which you shall in no wise escape; oh ye Merchants of *Babylon* weep and howl, for a day of calamity is coming upon you, and none shall buy your Merchandice any more; for as God hath brought a great Destruction upon thy great City, and hath stained the glory thereof, so shall thy Destruction come upon thee in one hour. Oh, *Babylon*, the great Whore, with whom the Kings of the Earth have committed Fornication in-

wardly and outwardly, and as many can witneſs the fall of her inwardly, and great hath been the fall thereof, ſo great ſhall be the fall outwardly, and the time is near at hand; therefore all people come out of her, and partake not of her ſins, that ye partake not of her plagues alſo; for they that partake of her ſins muſt partake of her plagues: So all people who have any true deſire after the Lord, and the knowledge of his wayes; oh, come out of *Babylon* which ſtands in confuſion, and return from the evil of your wayes, and turn your minds inward to the witneſs of God (that is to ſay) the Light in your Conſciences which reproves you for your ſins when no eye ſeeth you, this is that which the true Miniſters of Chriſt directed peoples minds unto, and this is that in which the people of the Lord walked in Generations paſt, as ſaid *David*, *Thy Light O Lord is a Lanthorn to my Path, and a Lamp to my Feet*; this is a true Rule for all to walk by: So all people come to this Light, which is Chriſt the true Light which lighteth every one that cometh into the world, and believe in it, for there is not another way in which Salvation may or can be found, but in this Way, which is *Chriſt, the Way, the Truth, and the Life*; and as unto this Light you come, and are joyned unto it, it will lead you out of ſin, and out of tranſgreſſion, which is the cauſe of Gods Wrath being kindled againſt this Nation; yet of all ſins, Perſecution is the crying ſin, for which cauſe God did at firſt the great Plague into this Nation bring, yet the Lord ſpared that great City until they baniſhed the Servants of the Lord; and ſoon after they had baniſhed them, then did the Lord bring that great Plague upon that great City, which did deſtroy near One hundred thouſand perſons; yet for all this they repented not of the evil of their wayes, but ſtill provoked the Lord to Anger with their Abomination, for which cauſe Gods anger was not abated, but his indignation burned hotter and hotter againſt that great City which had ſo long provoked the Lord to anger with their great abominations.

And now, oh, *England*, oh, *London*, *London*, in whom the ſame Abominations have been committed, think not that ye ſhall eſcape the wrath of God, and his dreadfull day that is coming upon thee oh *London*: and oh Nation, oh *England*, oh the dreadfull, dreadfull, terrible, terrible day which is coming upon thee, which is even at the door, ye ſuch a day as never was the like ſince there was a Nation,

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which ye cannot escape, for the Decree of God must stand, whose Decree is gone forth against a great part of thy Inhabitants, with thy Priests and many of thy Rulers; oh, that all who have not sinned out the day of their visitation would fear and dread the God of Heaven and Earth; oh repent, repent, and turn from the evil of your wayes, and retire your minds inward to the Light of the Lord Jesus Christ, which shews you your sins; and as unto this Light ye come, and are willing to be guided by it, it will lead you out of sin; in the Light there is power to overcome sin, and let none say that ye want power, for *the Lord hath laid help on one that is mighty*, which is *Christ the Light*, the Son of God, *the Grace of God which hath appeared unto all men*, it teacheth us, who are led by it, to live righteously and soberly in this present evil world. Oh seek the Lord while he may be found, for the Spirit of the Lord will not alwayes strive with man; repent, repent, and meet the Lord in the way of his Judgments; oh, return, return while you have a day, and come and *walk in the Light of the Lord, and he will teach you of his Wayes*, and leave off following your Blind-Guides, namely, your Priests, for they will never profit you at all: Therefore all who tenders the good and welfare of your Souls, and have any breathing after the Lord and his living Truth, oh come out from amongst them; for this I testifie unto you, that they are no Ministers of Christ who teach for hire, but they are such as the Prophets complained against; yea, they are such as the Prophets cried wo against, *Wo unto the Shephe ds that feed themselves, and not their Flock*; yea, they are *ravning Wolves, and like a Troop of Robbers, which Rob by consent; the Priests preach for hire, and the Judges judge for reward:* and *Jerem.* 5. 31. *The Prophets propheſie falsly, and the Priests bear rule by their means, and the people love to have it so, and what will ye do in the end thereof*: And Christ said *that false Prophets should come, Matth.* 24. 24. and *John* saw they were come, read 1 *John* 2. 19. So those who teach for filthy lucre are no Ministers of Christ, but of Antichrist, which is against Christ; but those are the true Ministers of Christ, who have received freely, and freely they do administer; *I send you forth as Lambs among Wolves*, saith Christ, *and freely have ye received, so freely administer*; and this is not the practice of the Priests of *England*, who teach for filthy lucre, and who are seeking their gain from their quarter; and those that cannot for conscience

ſcience ſake put in their mouthes they prepare war againſt: So every one who deſire the good and welfare of your Souls everlaſting peace, O come out from among them, all who have any true deſires after the Lord, & ſtrive not to uphold them, nor partake of their ſins, that ye partake not of their plagues alſo: there is a Teacher which is near thee, which cannot be removed into a Corner, and this *Word is nigh thee, in thy heart, and in thy mouth, that thou mayſt hear it, and do it, Rom.* 10. 8. And wherewith ſhould a young man cleanſe his ways but by taking heed to this Word, which ſhews ye, that ye ſhould do unto all men, as ye would they ſhould do unto you; and as in obedience to this Light ye come, it will lead you out of ſin, and out of iniquity; then will you ſee who are the people of the Lord, as you come into obedience thereunto; but if you rebel againſt the Light when it reproves you for ſin, and do the ſame thing again which the Light in your conſciences reproves you for, then with the Light ye will be condemned. So dear people, as you tender the good of your Souls, *Return at the reproof of Inſtruction, for this is the way of Life:* and this furthermore I teſtifie unto you, that this is the *Way of God* in which the People of the Lord, called Quakers, walk, and there is not another way in which Salvation may or can be found; [mark] but in the Way in which the faithfull People of God, called Quakers, walk; for this is the Way in which the People of God walked in Ages and Generations paſt, who were perſecuted even as we have been, and are at this day; but we can ſay, Bleſſed be the Name of our God who hath counted us worthy to ſuffer for his Name ſake, and for his glorious Truth ſake; this was the portion of him who was before we were, *Chriſt Jeſus*, who is the Captain of our Salvation, of whom the world was not worthy, who willingly bore the Croſs, and deſpiſed the ſhame; yea, this was the portion of him unto whom the Father hath committed all power in Heaven and in Earth, and there is none can take it out of his hand; this was the portion of the People of God in all Ages, and they choſe rather *to ſuffer affliction, then to enjoy the pleaſures of ſin for a ſeaſon*; *Moſes* who was a man of God, choſe rather to ſuffer with the People of the Lord, then to be called the Son of *Pharoahs* daughter; and this was the cauſe of the ſufferings of the People of God in Ages and in Generations paſt, becauſe they durſt not diſobey the commandments of God, and could not bow to the wills of men,

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men, and they were as *Pilgrims and Strangers, wondering in Sheep-skins, and Goats-skins, and they had no certain dwelling place*; it is so even at this day with us who have and do fear the Lord, we are counted as the off-scourings of all things, and are hunted as Partridges upon the mountains, and have no certain dwelling place, but Prisons; and have been banished, imprisoned, and drove from place to place, and have been counted as a people not fit to live, because we dare not disobey the Lord, and dare not forsake the assembling of our selves together to worship God in Spirit and in Truth; for this cause are we persecuted, but herein can we rejoyce in the Lord, that he hath upheld us until this day by the Arm of his Almighty Power, that we have not turned our backs in this trying day; O! it is by the Strength of our God, and not that we could stand of our selves, for we are as weak as other men, but the God whom we serve is stronger then all, therefore will we trust in his Name, for he can deliver us out of the hands of unreasonable men, as he did deliver *Daniel* out of the Lions mouths, that they could not hurt him; and as he did deliver *Sadrach*, *Meshach*, and *Abednego*, so that the fire could not hurt them; it is the same God in whom we trust, and he will deliver us; yea, he is stretching forth his Hand for the deliverance of his people; *Yea, once more will I deliver my people after the manner of* Egypt. Thus saith the Lord, *I will stretch forth my Hand as in ancient dayes, I will divide the Waters, yea, I will divide the bloody Waters, which are Tongues, Peoples, Multitudes: Now will I arise and shake terribly the Earth, and not the Earth only but the Heavens also*; yea, the Lord hath looked down from Heaven and hath beheld the sufferings of his people, and now will he arise as a mighty man of War, yea, and he will cause paleness of face to come upon *Sions* Enemies; yea, a day of great troubles is coming, yea, such a day of troubles as never was before, nor never shall be after it any more. Oh, *England, England*, what Lamentation may be taken for thee. Oh Nation, oh *England*, the Land of my Nativity, oh that an unfained Repentance might be found in thee, that thou mightest escape the Wrath of God; yea, the viols of the Wrath of God is pouring forth upon the Nations, and the destroying Angel is gone forth, for the Harvest is ripe, and the Lord is sending forth his Angels, saying, *Thrust in your sicles, for wickedness is grown to full height*, and now is the Lord a rendring a recompence of reward

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unto every man according unto his works: Therefore all people fear and dread the God of Heaven, and repent, repent, and turn from the evil of your wayes; oh come to the Light which is in your Consciences which shews you your sins and as you come into obedience to this Light, it will lead you out of your sins; for in the Light there is power to overcome sin, iniquity, and every evil thought that shall arise: so all people come to the Witness of God which condems you for sin when no eye seeth you, this is the true Light which lighteth every man that comes into the World, and this Light is *Christ*, who said, *I am the true Light*; so all people who have any true desires after the True and Living God; oh come and wait upon the Lord in the measure of his Grace which God hath given you to profit withal, that ye may witness the Lord to lead and to teach you in all things, for the Lord is come to teach his people himself, according as he promised by the Mouth of his Prophets in the dayes of old, *I will teach my people my self, and I will pour out my Spirit upon my Sons and Daughters, and upon my Handmaids, and they shall prophesie*; and this is the Lord doing in this our day, of which we are Witnesses, blessed and praised be the Name of the Lord our God.

So all People and Professors whatsoever, Teachers and others, who are not come into the Life of what ye profess; oh, come down to the Witness of God in your own Consciences which will let you see what ye have been doing, for it is not a profession which will stand you in sted in the day that is hasting; for the wind of the wrath of the Almighty God is arisen and arising, which will shake all Professions, and will throw down all buildings which are not build upon the True Foundation *Christ Jesus the Rock of Ages*; it is not a profession, nor a name to live, which will at all be available in the terrible day that is hastning, nor in the day when God shall call you to an account for your Stewardship: So dear people, who tenders the good of your Souls peace, and everlasting happiness, oh wait to feel the Word of Life to gather your minds out of all that is visible, into that which is invisible, that an invisible Beeing ye may have in the Lord; and there is none can have a safe dwelling, and a quiet habitation in the Lord, but those who are come to the Word, which was before words were, which Word was in the beginning, as in *John* 1. *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,*

and the Word was God; and this Word is as a Sword, and as a Hammer, and a Fire; as a Sword to cut down, as a Hammer to break in pieces, and a Fire to consume all that which is contrary to the Lord in the heart of man: So all People, Professors and Teachers, which is not come to witness this Word (which is the Power of God) to arise in their own particulars, are no Ministers of Christ, nor of the Gospel of Christ, for *the Gospel is the Power of God unto Salvation*; and he that is not come to witness this power to arise in his own particular, is no Minister of Christ, let him profess what he will, although he may have all the Scriptures to declare of, yet he is but feeding upon other mens lines, although he may be, as he thinks, a doing God service in imitating what the Servants of the Lord did, who were led by the Spirit of God into those practises, which many now are in, which never have known the Spirit of the Lord to lead them thereinto. Therefore all people who have any true desires and breathings after the True and Living God, oh, come and wait upon the Lord in the silence of all flesh, that the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ ye may come to witness; for except Christ be risen all preaching is in vain, and your Faith is vain, and ye are yet in your sins; so every one is to know the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ in your own particulars; and none think that ye know enough because ye can read the Scriptures which saith that he *was buried, and rose again the third day*, for the Scriptures were given forth to be read, believed, and to be practised in the same Spirit by which they were given forth; for the reading of these things will not profit you at all, except ye come to witness him to be risen in your own particulars, to subdue and to bring down that which is contrary to the Lord; for *when God ariseth his Enemies are scattered*, this every one must witness before ye can know him who is the Resurrection and the Life: *Ye read the Scriptures, and in them ye think ye have Eternal Life*, saith Christ *for they are they that testifie of me, but ye will not come unto me that ye may have Life*; so that which is to be known of God is manifest within; the Kingdom of Heaven which is compared to a grain of Mustard-seed, or to a little Leaven, which a women took and hid in three measures of Meal, untill the whole lump was leavened, this is every one to witness in their own particulars; and as this little Seed, which is small in its appearance, is joyned unto, ye will

witness a growth thereof, and it will become as a great Tree, so that the Fowls of the air may lodge under the Branches thereof; and as this little Leaven is joyned unto, it will bring all into the nature of God; this is the Pearl which is of great price, and this Pearl is hid in the earthly heart, and thou must sell all to purchase this, as the rich Merchant did, for this Pearl is of more value then Ten thousand Worlds; and when thou hast found this Pearl, then wilt thou have cause of rejoycing indeed; but this cannot be purchased with silver nor gold, for it is the free gift of God; yet it must be waited for in the true retiredness of thy mind, and in the silence of all Flesh; yea, all which thou hast gotten in thy comprehension, and in thy own wisdom must be parted withal, thrown down, and utterly destroyed; *For man by wisdom knows not God, nor the natural man the things of God, for they are spiritually discerned*; and this Spirit of Truth which leadeth into all Truth ye must wait for; this the Apostles waited at *Jerusalem* for, *Act. 2. And as many as are led by the Spirit of God are the Sons of God, and in righteousness are they established; but he that hath not the Spirit of God is none of his*: so it is good for all people to search with the Light which is in your Consciences, that ye may see and know what spirit ye are of; for he that hath not the Spirit of God is none of his; so men having not been led and guided by the true Spirit, in their own wisdom have found out many inventions, and have forsaken the Living Fountain of water, and have hewn to themselves broken Cisterns which will hold no water wherewith to satisfie and refresh their thirsty Souls. Oh, come unto Christ who is the Fountain of Living water, that your Souls may be refreshed therewith: well, but some may say, *Where is this Christ who is this Fountain of Living water, that we may drink, and our Souls may be satisfied?* Know ye not that Christ is in you, saith the Apostle, except ye be Reprobates. So all people both high and low, rich and poor, under what name or profession soever, oh, haste, haste, and come into the Life of Righteousness, that ye may find acceptance with the Lord; for *God is no respecter of persons, but he that truly fears God, and worketh Righteousness is accepted of him*: Therefore all people fear and dread the Lord, the God of Heaven, that a Habitation ye may have in him, for there is peace and safety indeed; and blessed and happy will they be who knows a peaceable and a quiet habitation in the Lord in this the dreadfull

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day that is near at hand; for there is none shall have peace but they who knows a resting place in the Lord. Oh, all people, come out of *Babylon* which is within you, and come to the Light of Christ which will discover unto you the Mystery of Iniquity, which is Mystery *Babylon* the Mother of Harlots, which is the whorish spirit, by which the children of Iniquity are conceived and brought forth, those are the Brats that are to be dashed in pieces against the stones; oh great is the Mystery of iniquity, and few there are that hath found it out; and also great is the Mystery of Godliness, and few there are that knows it; oh, Blessed be the Name of the Lord our God who hath opened unto us the Mystery of Godliness, and hath discovered unto us the Mystery of Iniquity, which is *Mystery Babylon*, with whom, all that are not come into obedience to the Light of the Lord, which discovers the mystery of this great Whore, which is *Mystery Babylon*, they are still committing whoredom with her; yea, many have committed Fornication under every green Tree (that is to say) with every new profession that hath arose, because she hath seemed to be more beautifull in one profession then in another, because there is some have a more pleasing Declaration, and more fine to behold, and to please the outward eye then some other; but this is all but the golden Cup, full of Abominations, which is handed forth, though never so much painted with fained words, which are not in the Life and Power of God Therefore all people, oh, come out of *Babylon*, and come and wait upon the Lord in the Light of Christ Jesus, and it will discover unto you the Mystery of Iniquity, which is *Mystery Babylon*.

A Word to the Backsliders which have tasted of the good Word of Life, and of the Power of the World to come, and who have through the subtilty of the Enemy been beguiled and drawn aside in this trying day, and have hearkened unto the Evil One, and consulted with Flesh and Blood, and have sought to save themselves, and have forsaken their first Love.

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ing Chains of Darkneſs unto the Judgment of the Great Day; and they which believed the evil Spies entred not into the Promiſed Land; oh, conſider what will become of you who are gone back again unto the Fleſh-pots of *Egypt*, and who have gone back again with the Dog to his vomit, or the Sow which was waſhed to her wallowing again in the mire; oh, ſad will be your eſtate if ye return not again unto the Lord; oh, return unto your firſt Love, and come and wait upon the Lord in the true retiredneſs of your minds, that ye may feel ſtrength to reſiſt the Enemy; for while the Strong man keeps the Houſe his goods are in ſafety, but when a ſtronger then he cometh, he diſpoſeſſeth him, and caſteth him out: Oh, wait, feel this Power *which binds Kings in Chains, and Nobles in Fetters of Iron*, that ye may witneſs that which hath led Captive to be led into Captivity, that the Seed may be ſet at liberty which is oppreſſed as a Cart is preſſed with Sheaves, and groans under its burden; oh, give not way to the reaſoning part, nor truſt in your own wiſdom; for this is the greateſt Enemy Truth hath; but come and wait at Wiſdoms Gate, that the true Wiſdom which is from above ye may know, that therein ye may be guided and ordered; oh, give up all that is of mans part, and come into the nothingneſs of Self, and come into the true humility; for it is the meek and humble God hath regard unto; yea, it is him that truly fears God, and worketh Righteouſneſs, that ſhall find acceptance with the Lord; oh, return unto the Lord, and he will heal your backſlidings.

A Manifeſtation of Love to the Seed of God.

OH, ye dear and faithfull Followers of the Lamb, whom God hath called and choſen out of the World, its Wayes, Worſhips, Faſhions, vain Cuſtoms and Traditions, out of the many Wayes and Worſhips, into the *One True and Living Way and Worſhip*, and hath gathered you from off the dry and barren Mountains where ye were ſcattered in the dark and cloudy day, and knew not where to find a reſting place for your Souls; oh, then did the Lord pitty us, and ſtretched forth his hand unto us, and gathered us by the arm of his Almighty Power: oh, let not this the loving-kindneſs of the Lord ever be forgotten, who hath done ſo great things for

for us, when we were polluted in our blood, and when no eye pitied us, but let us wait to feel the powerfull arm of God by which we were gathered to support us, and that none sit down at ease, or in a careless spirit, and think we know enough, because we have been long convinced of the Truth of God, and may be have suffered much for it, but let us wait to feel the vertue of the distillings of the Life of God, that we may witness a daily encrease of the riches of the aboundings of the Love and Life of God, that we may grow as Living Plants of Gods Renown, which the Father hath planted, that Fruits of Righteousness we may bring forth, for it is Fruit the Lord is now seeking for in this the day of his Almighty Power: So, dear Friends, that we all who have set our faces *Sion* wards, oh, let us travel on in the strait and narrow Way of Self-denial, and dwell in the daily Cross, that the Power of God we may feel to resist the Enemy of our Souls peace, for he lieth near to draw our mindes from the Lord, and from the simplicity that is in Christ Jesus: So dear Friends, we have as much need as ever we had to wait upon the Lord, that we may feel our strength to be daily renewed; oh, sink down, sink down in the Love of the Lord, and in the true retiredness of your minds, that the Resurrection of the Life of the Lord Jesus Christ ye may witness, for except this Life be witnessed and felt, we are as dry bones, and as a parched Heath, and there is no satisfaction for the Soul that breathes unto the Lord, for the Babe immortal which God hath begotten, hath no satisfaction in any thing, but in the enjoyment of the Presence of its Father, and its cry is night and day, Father, let me enjoy thy Presence, or else I cannot live: So, dear Friends, wait to feel the Word of Life to gather your minds out of all that is visible into that which is invisible, that an invisible beeing, and a quiet habitation ye may know in the Lord; oh, here is safety indeed, and there is no true safety in any thing else besides: So, seeing God hath prepared a rest for his people, oh, that none may sit down short of this rest, and that none may take up a rest in any thing below the Life and Power of God; oh, bear with me a little, oh, dear hearts, remember and consider what the Lord hath done for ye in dayes past, and keep in the Love into which ye were at first gathered, oh, take heed that none lose your first Love, for then will coldness and deadness come over ye as a cloud, and

that ye be vailed from the enjoyment of the Presence of the Lord; oh, take heed that no hard-heartedness enter, and that none grow cold, nor stand in a luke-warm state, but haste into the Life of Righteousness, for its they who truly fears the Lord and worketh Righteousness that shall find acceptance with the Lord; for the Spirit of the Lord searcheth and seeth thorow all, and he who made the heart he knoweth the secrets thereof, and there is nothing hid from him; so it is good for all to search diligently with the Light of the Lord, that ye may see what is yet standing in your hearts which is contrary unto the Lord, and wait in the true retiredness of your minds, that ye may feel the Power of the Lord to break down, and to destroy all that is of Self, and that nothing may stand or remain in the hearts of any, but that which is pure as God is pure, that into the Life of purity and holiness ye may be gathered, for it is holiness becomes the House of the Lord: So, wait to feel the Word of Faith which purifieth the heart, and cleanseth from all sin, and gathers the mind up unto the Lord, that the Truth may reign and rule over all, that the Truth may set you free, *and if the Son set you free, then are you free indeed*; and take heed that none take to your selves a false freedom, for herein is much danger; but wait in the quietness, and in the stillness, and in the true retiredness of your minds, that the voice of the true Shepherd Christ Jesus you may hear, and feel the Power of the Lord to go before, and to lead and to guide in all things, and in obedience answer the requirings of the Lord, and be faithfull, for its *the Faithfull and Obedient that shall eat the good of the Land*: oh, be faithfull in all your several places where God hath set ye, and walk as good examples before all men, that ye may be as a Light upon a Hill, that all who sees your good works may glorifie your Father which is in Heaven; and set not your affections on things of this World, nor trust in uncertain riches, but seek ye the Kingdom of Heaven, and the Righteousness thereof, for this is the Riches that will endure for ever: Oh ye dear and faithfull children of the Lord, who have followed the Lord through the many Tribulations, and who have not turned your backs in this trying day, but have been willing to follow the Lord in the daily Cross, and in the Self-denial, and have not counted any thing too dear to part-withal for Christs sake, and

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for his glorious Truths sake, ye are as near to him as the Apple of his Eye, oh, great will be your reward in Heaven; yea, God will crown you with an everlasting Crown, as in the Faith ye abide; and ye shall shine as Stars in the Firmament, and many shall have cause to bless the day of your faithfulness; and many shall come forth at the brightness of your arising; oh, blessed and happy are ye who have chosen the Lord to be your God, and who are built upon the true Foundation, Christ Jesus the Rock of Ages; oh, ye shall stand as *Mount-Sion* which cannot be removed: Oh, ye dear and faithfull Ones whose minds are redeemed out of the Earth, who have washed your Robes white in the Blood of the Lamb, it is ye that shall have the new Songs put into your mouthes, which none can sing but the Redeemed ones; oh, *Sion*, thy God will compleat thee, and beautifie thee, and he will bring thee forth, and many shall be ravished with thy beauty, yea, thousands, and ten thousands shall come forth at the brightness of thy arising: Oh, ye faithfull Ones who have not counted any thing too dear to part withal for Christs sake, for whose sakes the Lord is arisen, and arising, yea, he is stretching forth his Hand for his Seed sake; oh, *Israel*, the return of thy Captivity is near; oh, Worm *Jacob*, which hath been trampled upon, and have been counted as a people not fit to live, but have been counted as the off-scouring of all things; oh, thou Worm *Jacob*, oh, thou little *David*, who hath encountred against so great a *Goliah*, at the fall of which thousands shall shout for joy who yet stand afar off: oh, ye bowed down ones, lift up your heads, for the day of your Redemption draweth near; yea, the day in which *Israel* shall rejoyce, and *Jacob* shall be exceeding glad: Oh, ye dear Lambs and Babes of God, whom the Lord hath often visited with his Living, Powerfull Presence, which is better then a life in any thing else besides, yea, which far exceeds all the enjoyments of the pleasures of the World; oh, forever trust in his Name, though he may withdraw himself for a season, the which may cause thy Soul to mourn, and to say in thy Heart, *Lord, why hast thou forsaken me, and why hidest thou thy face from me, Lord what have I done that thou shouldst withdraw thy Presence, which causeth my Soul to mourn, and mine Eyes to gush forth with tears*; yea, many wayes is the Lord trying of the Patience and Faith of his Children, which is more

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precious then Gold : Dear Lambs, I speak as one that am acquainted with the many tryals and exercises that attends the dear Lambs and Babes of God ; but when he whom my Soul loveth is come, then is my Soul ravished with the enjoyment of the Presence of the Lord ; oh, then doth all sorrow and sighing flee away : Oh, dear Lambs, abide in the Faith, and wait in the Patience, for God will not forget his Children, whose hope, trust and confidence is in him, and whose expectation is from him alone : So God keep all his faithfull Children in perfect Peace, Amen saith my Soul, who am a Lover of Gods Truth, and all that dwell in it ; and in this Love and Life of God I bid you all Farewell.

OH ye Inhabitants of the Earth, hear the Word of the Lord, Thus saith the Lord, *I will terribly shake the Nations, and I will bring down the mighty from off their Seats, and I will overturn, overturn all, until he comes to reign whose right it is, and then shall there be Rulers as at the first, and Judges as at the beginning* ; and this is the Lord a bringing to pass, yea, and the time hastens, yea, the time is near at hand in which the Lord this Work to pass will bring ; yet a Terrible Day must be known before this doth come to pass ; yea, such a day as never was yet known ; yea, a day of great Calamities and Distress as never was yet known, nor never shall be after it any more ; yea, God is arisen, and arising to stain the glory of all Flesh, and to bring down the pride and the haughtiness of man, and to lay his honour in the dust, and he will raise up the man of low degree ; this work is the Lord a doing in this the day of his Almighty Power : Thus saith the Lord, *I will once more stretch out my hand for the residue of the scattered of* Israel, *who are yet scattered upon the dry and barren Mountains, in the dark and cloudy day ; I will search them out as a Shepherd seeketh out his Sheep, and I will bring them down from off the dry and barren Mountains of imaginations and I will bring them into the low valeys, and into the green Pastures of Life, where they shall feed and be satisfied ; and I will open a Fountain in the midst of them, and I will cause the Springs of Life to run pleasantly, and they shall be refreshed abundantly with the Streams thereof, yea, I will cause my Righteousness to run down as a mighty Stream, and my Righteousness shall cover the Earth as the Waters cover the Sea.*

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OH, *England, England!* What Lamentations may I yet take up for thee; oh, my Bowels, my Bowels even yern for thee, and my Heart is pained within me, oh, *England, England!* the Land of my Nativity, oh, that a speedy and unfained Repentance might yet be found in thee, that if happily thou mightest escape the Wrath of God, and the Plagues which are still threatned upon thee, (for God's Controversie is great with thee, for the great Abominations that have been, and are committed in thee) some of which I shall instance, *Plague, Fire, Sword* and *Famine*, this hath the Lord revealed unto me, and it is a great wait upon my spirit, and I dare do no less but in obedience to the Lord declare what the Lord is bringing to pass in this the day of his mighty power: therefore all people who have not wholy sinned out the day of your Visitation, and who intends the good and welfare of your Souls peace and everlasting happiness, oh, Repent, repent, and turn from the evil of your wayes: Oh, Blessed and happy are those who have chosen the Lord to be their Strength, and whose hope, trust and confidence is in the Lord the God of Heaven, and whose expectations are from him alone; oh, blessed and happy are they who trust in the Name of the Lord, and who knows a resting place, and a quiet habitation, and a peaceable dwelling therein; in this the Dreadfull Day which is near at hand, yea, as I may say even at the door; yea, such a day of great distress and troubles, as never the like was known before, nor never shall be the like after it any more, yea, many shall seek a resting place, but Destruction shall come so fast upon them that they shall not find it; and though great distress and troubles are already come, yet its little to what is yet behind; but they whose hope and trust is in the Lord need not be discouraged at what may come to pass, and shortly will befall; oh trust ye in the Name of God, for he is able to deliver out of all. This is the cause and reason why I do here declare something of what the Lord hath shewed unto me, and for no other cause nor end, the God of Heaven he doth bear me witness, but that all may haste, and come away, and draw near to the Lord, and unto the Ark of the Covenant of Light and Life, that a peaceable, and a quiet habitation therein ye may find in the Dreadfull Day that is near at hand; yea, a Day of Great Distress and Troubles, in which there is none shall find peace, but they who wait upon the Lord to feel his Power, and stay their minds therein.

WRitten chiefly for the sakes of those who are not yet acquainted with the Way of the Lord, whom I see in the Light which is Eternal, who are seeking the Lord, and doth not certainly know where to find him; for whose sakes my Soul mourns, yea, and my Bowels yern, and my Eyes gush forth with Tears; and I am moved with great pity and compassion to cry unto the Lord, *Oh, Lord, reach forth thy hand of pity and compassion unto the scattered Sheep of* Israel, *who are yet scattered upon the dry and barren Mountains, and are wandring as Sheep without a Shepherd, and knows not where to find a resting place for their Souls; oh, Lord, stretch forth thy hand of pity and compassion unto them as thou didst unto us when we were scattered in the dark and cloudy day, (where many yet are) and were polluted in our Blood, and when no eye pitied us; oh, Lord, search them out, as a Shepherd seeketh out his Flock, and bring them from off the dry and barren Mountains, and bring them down into the low valleys, and into the green Pastures of Life, where they may feed, and their Souls may be satisfied; oh, Lord, open thy Fountain more and more, and cause thy Springs to run pleasantly, and plentifully, that every Soul which truly hungers and thirsteth after thee, Lord, may be refreshed abundantly with the Streames of Life which flows from thee who art the Fountain of Life; oh Lord, keep thy* Israel *whom thou hast called and gathered by thy out-stretched Hand, and by the Arm of thy Almighty Power; oh, keep thy Children in the seasoned, savory, pure, holy Life, that therein we may dwell and abide for ever, Amen.*

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By one who am a lover of the Souls of all people, and desires the good and welfare of all, and have met with hard measure from my Neighbours and Country-men; who have layn near two years under the cruel Sentence of Banishment, close Prisoner for no other cause, but for worshipping of God in Spirit and Truth, according as the Lord requires, and am a daily Sufferrer for the Seed sake which is yet in Captivity.

Northampton County-Gaol, in the Year, 1666.

Daniel Roe.

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